(a) in how many cases in last five years CBI could penalise through court the alleged guilty against whom they filed suits/charges; and

(b) the number of cases where CBI failed to establish charges on a convincing way?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) : (a) During the last 5 years, the Central Bureau of Investigation secured conviction on 1111 cases.

(b) During the last 5 years, a total of 582 cases filed by the Central Bureau of Investigation in various courts, resulted in acquittal/discharge.

Direction to Notification for CBI Investigation

4211. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "CBI by passed Prime Minister in Laloo Case" published in the Asian Age on the 16th April, 2000;

(b) if so, whether there has been direction of the Department of Personnel and Training to issue a notification under Section 6 of DSPEA, 1946 to facilitate the investigation of CBI;

(c) if so, whether the file had been cleared by the Cabinet; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The disproportionate assets case against the former Chief Minister of Bihar referred to in the news-items was registered by CBI on orders dated 23-8-1996 and 20-3-1998 of the Patna High Court.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.